(b) if so, the details of the individual project *i.e.*, development of National parks, sanctuaries, tiger reserves etc.; and

(c) the progress of utilisation of such Central funds under the Central Plan for forest development?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government of Orissa has submitted Rs. 9.53 crore plan under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) "Assistance for Development of National Parks and Sanctuaries" during the current financial year.

(b) The details of the proposals submitted by the State Government of Orissa during the current year under various CSS are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Name of the Scheme	Proposal Received for	Funds	
		Sanctioned (as on 18-8-03)	Released (as on 18-8-03)
Assistance for Development of National Parks and Sanctuaries	9.53	0.77	0.50
Project Tiger	7.64	1.41	0.60
Project Elephant	1.85	1.16	0.77

(c) The Government of Orissa has not reported the progress of utilization of the above mentioned funds.

Inquiry against Coca-Cola factory in Kerala

3212. SHRI A.VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any inquiry has been initiated during the year 2003, by Pollution Control Board of Kerala, against the Coca-Cola factory situated at Palghat District, Kerala, on pollution control;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether solid waste from the factory is used as a fertilizer by farmers in and around the factory;

(d) if so, whether this is as per norms of environmental clearance;

(e) whether many bore wells other than specified were used for extracting ground water;

(f) whether quality of ground water and solid waste utilized as fertilizer were tested periodically;

(g) if so, the details thereof; and

(h) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV): (a) and (b) Subsequent to media reports stating that the sludge supplied by the bottling unit of M/s. Hindustan Coca-Cola Beverages Limited located at Plachimada, Palakkad district, Kerala to farmers for use as fertilizer contains dangerous levels of Cadmium and Lead, Kerala State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) have investigated the matter by way of analyzing the sludge and effluent generated by this factory, in their laboratory. As per the analysis report, the level of Cadmium in the sludge is higher than the permissible levels, while the levels of Cadmium and Lead are within permissible limits in the effluent.

(c) Yes Sir, the sludge generated by this factory was being used by farmers as manure and landfill. However, KSPCB has now instructed the factory not to let the sludge out of their premises and not to use it as manure even within the factory premises.

(d) Does not arise as the factory's activities are not covered by the Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 1994.

(e) As reported by KSPCB, the factory is extracting ground water through six bore wells and two dug wells.

(f) to (h) Regular monitoring of solid, liquid and gaseous wastes from the factory is carried out by KSPCB. In the sludge sample collected by the Board in July 2003, the level of Cadmium is higher than the permissible levels whereas as per analysis of groundwater and sludge samples conducted earlier, the contaminants were within permissible limits.